



Well known independentist Pierre Bourgault was the star participant in a UQAM-sponsored debate on the national question. Held last week at the UQAM campus the debate had Bourgault pitted against representatives of most of Montreal's communist groups.

Inquiry probes Dawson professor's lifestyle

MONTREAL (CUP)— The fate of many special programs at Dawson College is up in the air as a provincial government inquiry probes the misuse of government funds for a private business venture.

The inquiry came after a recent disclosure that government funds were being used to finance a private business venture operating out of the Continuing Education department's Centre de Linguistique Appliquée (CLA).

The CLA director, Roger Evrard, and five people working in the centre have been fired

and Evrard is reportedly out of the country.

A college investigation committee's report found that Evrard had used government-granted monies to finance various luxuries.

In addition to keeping two penthouse apartments, fully equipped and decorated, at a cost of \$4,000 per month, Evrard is alleged to have kept for his own use a \$15,000 stereo system purchased for the college, rented a Laurentian chalet which he in turn rented back to the centre for use as a workshop and allowed his wife

to use the facilities and manpower of the CLA to run her own private school called the Centre International D'Etudes Linguistiques.

Since the college is totally dependent upon the provincial government to fund its many special programs, the government inquiry has created some uncertainty as to whether funding will continue under the current circumstances.

The inquiry report is scheduled to be released early this month.

MAUT charged with violating labor code

by Peter Orr and Brian Topp

The McGill Association of University Teachers (MAUT) has committed violations of the Quebec labour code, members of the McGill Faculty Union charged Friday.

Among the charges entered in the Quebec labour court are that the MAUT has tried to help McGill undermine the activities of the MFU "by agreeing to be dominated by an employer,

McGill," and by "acting as an accomplice in the manoeuvres of McGill aimed at preventing true unionization of McGill employees."

The MFU charges that the MAUT has allowed itself to be favoured by the university as the "sole employee association to negotiate salaries of academic employees at McGill."

Also contrary to Quebec

labour law is the MAUT's alleged agreement with McGill that all now faculty employees become members of the MAUT automatically unless they notify the Association otherwise.

Under the alleged agreement dues for the MAUT are deducted automatically by McGill from the paychecks of MAUT members. The MFU charges that the administration

refuses to provide the same service to the McGill Faculty Union.

The MAUT is also charged with accepting financial assistance from McGill in the form of a discount of 80% on internal mails, which is not, the MFU charges, accorded to other university associations. The MFU does not receive the discount itself, it says.

Sovereignty won't solve the problem, say panelists

by Denis Gascon

A PQ referendum on so-called sovereignty-association won't resolve the fundamental aspects of national oppression in Quebec, said five panelists invited to debate the national question last week at l'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM).

The debate organized by l'Association générale des étudiants de l'UQAM (AGEUQAM) discussed three left-wing approaches to the national question: Marxist-Leninist, Trotskyist and independentist.

All the spokespersons severely criticized the PQ's policies.

Claude St-Onge from Communist Workers Party (Marxist-Leninist) (CWP(ML)) described the PQ as "an anti-workers party which negates national rights".

"Bill 17, bill 45, Robin Hood and Commonwealth Plywood are good examples of the PQ's real nature", said Normand Guèvremont spokesperson for the Groupe Socialiste des Travailleurs (GST-Trotskyist).

St-Onge and François Moreau from the Revolutionary Workers League (RWL-Trotskyist) said the PQ's policy on economic development *Bâtir le Québec* "is opening doors to American imperialism".

The Marxists-Leninists in Struggle (IS!) and CWP(ML) do not support separation because "it divides Canadian masses".

"The goal of any worker, whether he is from Quebec, New Brunswick, Ontario or British Columbia is to get rid of capitalism. The have a sole enemy, the bourgeoisie and its State," said IS! spokesperson Christian Jetté.

Introducing his group as "the voice of the proletariat", Jetté said socialism is the only response to discrimination.

Although the IS! and the CPC(ML) delegates maintain they have substantially different political views, their opinions on most of the issues were much the same. Their criticisms focused on the struggle against capitalism, the sources of national oppression and the right of Quebec to self-determination.

"The national question is related to class struggle. Separation is not progress at all," said St-Onge.

Trotskyists from GST and RWL favored the independence option and socialism. But their independent Quebec is not to be confused with sovereignty-association.

"We want a clear cut with the federal," said Guèvremont.

"The Canadian State is the source of national oppression in Quebec", added Moreau from the RWL.

RIN (Rassemblement pour l'Indépendance nationale) founder and UQAM professor Pierre Bourgault dissented from these opinions.

"We must stop believing that the PQ can be something else than what it is now: it is neither socialist nor communist", he said.

"Some points have to be clarified. There are no workers' party now and there won't be one in the referendum battle. The masses are behind the Liberals and PQ. It may be deplorable but it is reality."

Bourgault said independence will not resolve Quebec's major social problems.

"It will only determine powers devolved to Quebec collectivity. Independence won't allow for redistribution of those powers", he said.

Bourgault said facts proved that national oppression, such as sex and race oppression, transcends capitalist oppression.

"Black men who are fighting for equality in the USA say to white men, we will unite against American capitalism when we will be recognized as equals. So is it with the French language and Quebec," concluded Bourgault.

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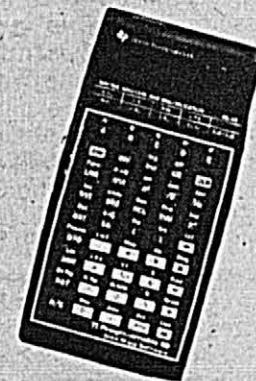
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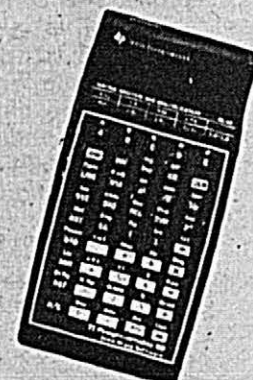
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Ombudsman for students in distress

by Laura Gibney

Does the thought of hassling with university administrators make you break out in hives?

Would you like to challenge the judgement of a professor or bureaucrat?

If so, Cherise Valles is the person to see. Valles, a third year political science student, is McGill's ombudsman this year, and her role is to protect students' rights by making certain that university authorities adhere to the school's laws and statutes.

"I see myself as a mediator working on behalf of students when they run into problems with the Administration of the Students Society," says Valles.

Being a student herself Valles feels she is able to understand a student's frustration in dealing with the administration. Her experience in dealing with bureaucracy during her years on students' councils in high school and CEGEP has taught her how to cut through the red tape which frequently entangles students.

The office of ombudsman was created at McGill two years

ago. Unlike some universities where the ombudsman is a full time employee, McGill has reserved the position for a student to fill on a part time basis. Valles sees this as a potential advantage for students who might be less intimidated about coming to discuss their problem with another student than they would be with a full time bureaucrat.

"The office of the ombudsman carries a great deal of weight which puts me in a more powerful position than the average student," Valles says, "and knowing the ins and outs of the administration might enable me to plead a student's case more effectively than he can do himself."

Valles advises students not to fear administrators. It seems they're not really ogres out to thwart our every ambition. They are very nice, helpful people," she says. Probably nicer and more helpful when the student approaching them is an ombudsman.

The jurisdiction of the ombudsman as written in the

school's constitution is very wide. This gives Valles a broad mandate to help students with a great variety of problems.

"No problem is too minor for me," she stresses, "but hopefully students will come to me with problems of a serious nature so that the administrators will take me seriously as a liaison between themselves and the student body."

Valles says she is not McGill's "ombudswoman" or "ombudsperson." She is the "ombudsman."

"I don't see why I should change the term making it more cumbersome than it already is," says Valles.

She adds that neither the female ombudsman on CBC's program "The Ombudsman," nor Concordia's ombudsman have changed the title.

Valles' office is located in room 414 on the fourth floor of the Students Union building. Her office hours are Monday 12:00 to 3:00, Tuesday 1:00 to 4:00, Friday 12:00 to 3:00. The office phone number is 392-8921.



I'm ombudsman and not an ombudsperson, says Cherise Valles, and my job is to help students in distress. She has an office in the union building and her phone number is 392-8921.

From warheads to plowshares

by Rick Goldman

World expenditures on armaments are now approaching \$500 billion per annum, according to one of Canada's leading disarmament experts.

Murray Thomson, former executive-director of Canadian Universities Services Overseas (CUSO) told a CUSO meeting last week: "Even rerouting the smallest fraction of the sums we squander on armaments towards economic development would contribute immeasurably towards alleviating the deprivation suffered by millions world-wide."

Thomson was lecturing on behalf of Project Plowshares, an organization concerned with questions of disarmament, nuclear power and third world development. His topic was the interdependence of problems in these three areas.

Several parallels, he said, can be drawn between the Arms Race and the dilemmas of nuclear energy. Both pose threats that are difficult to evaluate, as they remain inoffensive until their destructive power is unleashed. Both industries are maintained to provide a certain security to society, one in the form of abundant energy, the other in defense. Thus, in both cases, energy production and defense policy, suitable alternatives must be available in order to supplant the potential threat, he said.

Project Plowshares, Thomson explained, has a well-defined program with specific policy positions outlined in the areas of disarmament, overseas aid and nuclear energy development. "We are particularly interested in in-

fluencing the middle powers of the international community, such as Canada, Sweden, Rumania and Mexico."

The project itself is a non-governmental organization receiving the support of many related associations. It is linked with the United Nation's Office of Public Information and is represented on the Bureau of the NGO Committee of Disarmament at UN headquarters.

The meeting was the first in a series of five CUSO Information Nights dealing with the economic political and technical aspects of development. Continuing every second Tuesday, the program is designed to publicize CUSO's activities while promoting discussion about the issues of a developing world.

McGill hosts convention

by Heather Tisdale

McGill University will be host to a conference of the Association of College Unions October 12 to 14.

The Association of College Unions aids student unions in learning how to organize and improve their services and programs. The theme of this year's conference is "Focus on Leadership: Alternatives in Management."

Between 200 to 300 delegates from New York State, Ontario and Quebec are expected to attend.

The conference will be a combination trade show and educational program. The trade show will be a forum for the people who supply student unions with goods and services.

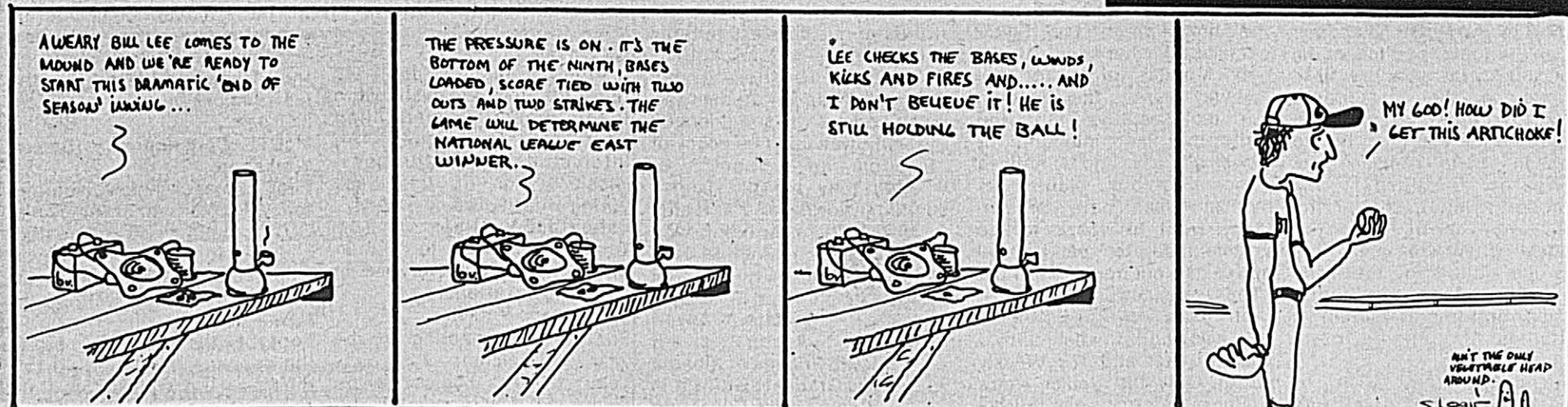
Among the 30 educational

seminars, there will be discussions concerning leadership development, fund-raising, and how to run a student pub.

Ron Lerman, executive director of McGill's Students' Society, says the conference will be "self-financing." One of the goals of this year's conference is to raise money for the Association's regional treasury for other leadership seminars.

Lerman feels that the running of the conference will "increase McGill's expertise in conference management, provide an excellent opportunity for our own student leaders to gain experience," and enable McGill to work in conjunction with other Montreal universities.

The Insiders



Comment

It's been three weeks since the first **Daily** of the season hit the news-stands and although we are reasonably pleased with the product, we have problems.

Our difficulties, however, are not with our personnel but with the technical end of the paper. Many readers will have noticed the typos, the misplaced bylines, the badly done headlines and, as the hysterical letter to the editor in today's paper makes ample note of, the absent Today column items. In addition, many of our ads have been riddled with errors.

The trouble stems from a decision taken by the Students' Society executive to close the Society-owned typesetting shop at midnight this year instead of the traditional closing hour of 6 a.m. The reason offered for the shift cut was a financial one: "We wanted to put the shop on a breakeven basis," said vp finance Alan Berdowski. Fair enough. Last year the shop lost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$28,000 for reasons that have yet to be made clear.

The midnight closure of the typesetting shop has been by far the worst headache we have had to cope with. Our copy deadlines are now 6 p.m. which means any news that occurs after that time will run two days later. Major stories or speeches we know about well in advance are covered by experienced reporters who are able to write to a deadline. But even these stories often don't make it into the next day's paper. All copy has to be edited three times, marked, typeset, given a headline, laid out, pasted-up and proofread before it heads off to the printer. Major stories written to fit a front page slot have to be in the shop by 10:30 p.m. or they don't make the following day's paper. And if we have a late story everything else has to be in extra early so the shop employees won't be faced with a final rush because a story doesn't fit a layout or a headline is too long.

At a quarter to twelve the last headlines or stories are given to the pasteup people who find they don't fit. It is then that the indiscriminate chopping of copy and Today column items takes place.

Not once since the new typesetting deadlines have gone into effect have they been met. The shop employees, sympathetic to our plight, have remained behind to complete the essential work. The corrections, however, have remained uncompleted most nights.

In spite of our pleas for later hours or more flexibility, the Society executive has remained adamant. And there the issue stands. On the one side is the **Daily** with a relatively inexperienced volunteer staff and on the other, a cost conscious executive. In the middle are the typesetting employees, victims of the dispute. They are not being reimbursed for the overtime they have worked.

Two weeks ago Students' Council passed a motion calling for the executive to investigate the possibility of later shop hours. Nothing has been done to date. In the meantime the paper is being published five times a week complete with errors and cut Today items.

Rick Boychuk

he was not in the **Daily** that night, he had "no responsibility for these matters". Being one of the **Daily** staff last year he knew very well the **Daily's** actions towards our club. He then proceeded to use rather foul language when he had been asked to explain the apparent "loss" of not one, but two notices from our club. If this is the way that club representatives are to be treated by the Editors of the **Daily**, it is easy to see why they have a shortage of news about any student activities!

Not only has the **Daily** attempted to prevent any notice of our activities, by they have also refused to cover any of our programmes such as a review of the First Festival of Albanian Films held at McGill on September 14th. According to the Editors who were informed of the event, they had "social commitments that evening"... later when we submitted an article about the Film festival, it was refused on the basis that it was written by a club member and not a member of the McGill **Daily**. How convenient for the **Daily**! First it refused to send anyone to cover the event and then when the club submits an article it is refused because it is written by a club member and thus "biased". This was mentioned after saying that of course the **Daily** only accepts "unbiased" critiques. To see the extent of their peculiar logic, if an Albanian were to write the critique they would have accepted it, but written by a friend of Albania in Canada — this constitutes "bias"! Caught in their own unprincipled policies they then conclude that perhaps it is difficult to obtain "unbiased" and "neutral" report on art and culture of any society — but since they don't like Albania anyway they have nothing to lose! According to the **Daily**, "we have to have one policy for clubs like yours, and another for the other clubs". We are sure that the honest students and faculty on this campus would have some difficulty in accepting such an unprincipled policy.

It is our view that not only is a public apology in order from the Editors of the **Daily** to our club, but that they should accord the same rights to our club as any other club or organisation duly recognized by the Students' Society. This means permitting us to speak or indeed write about the activities of our club in the **Daily** and to permit our club notices to appear in the "Today Column". Then the students as indeed others will see if indeed the **Daily** lives up to its policy of "freedom of speech" or whether they are but hollow sounding words, and in reality accorded to a handful who support the shameful activities of the **Daily** editorial staff.

Mrs. V. Anvari
Acting President
McGill Friends of Albania
and Graduate Student in
Comparative Education

In response:

Chère Mme Anvari, comme une partie de vos accusations sont adressées à l'endroit du responsable de l'édition du mardi, je me fais un devoir, en tant que directeur de l'édition française, de vous répondre dans la seule langue officielle du Québec.

Tout d'abord, chère madame, le principe le plus élémentaire de la logique exige que vous demandiez des explications avant de porter des accusations aussi ridicules que celles que vous venez d'émettre.

C'est à moi et à personne d'autre que vous deviez vous adresser. Je ne tolère pas que vous accusiez mes confrères et consœurs qui n'ont absolument rien à voir à tout cela.

De plus sachez, chère madame, que je me sauve ni de vous ni de personne. Je suis au **Daily** tous les jours. Si vous ne m'avez pas vu, vous n'avez qu'à me laisser un message. Je vous aurais tout expliqué.

Voyez-vous, si vous n'êtes pas contente, demandez à la Students' Society de nous laisser travailler en paix jusqu'à 1:00 am parce qu'avec la nouvelle décision de fermer la SST Typesetting à 12:00, il faut faire un travail à la bâcle.

Je n'ai pas "perdu votre message dans le panier à poubelles", comme vous dites. Les *Friends of Albania* ne me disent rien de plus que les *Friends of Tombouctou*. Je fais simplement mon travail et j'ai dû "couper" en vitesse trois "Today" que je ne savais plus où placer.

Je n'ai agi selon aucun mobile politique. Maintenant si vous désirez de plus amples renseignements, venez me voir personnellement au lieu d'écrire des imbécillités.

que je considère comme du potinage à bon marché. J'espère que vous comprendrez ce message, madame, parce que moi j'ai très bien compris le vôtre.

Pierre Shanks
Directeur de
l'édition française

"Power corrupts... All great men are bad"

To the Daily:

In concurrence with Linda Scherzer's letter, as well as other letters condemning the Students' Council's ban of Playboy, Penthouse and Playgirl from Sadie's; I feel that the Student Council has demonstrated a definite abuse of power. The Student Council was not elected to make moral judgements regarding what the students should or should not read. The Student Council as a democratic organization was designed to reflect the views of a majority of the student body. There is no substantial evidence to prove that the majority of students would benefit from the ban of sexist magazines. The underlying issue is not censorship - I agree. It is the flagrant abuse of political power. I am very bewildered about the purpose of the Student Council, when a minority of students control the decision-making process. This constitutes a tremendous political farce, bearing in mind the nature and degree of political socialization to which we all have been exposed. It is now time that the student body takes a firm stand against the paternalistic tendencies of its elected representatives.

Jeff Weinstein
U1 Political Science

Letters

"Loose" accusation

To the Daily:

It seems, as several representatives of the McGill student societies pointed out in their letter to the Editor yesterday, that the McGill **Daily** has little if any interest in reporting activities organised by the student clubs or societies. This view is also shared by the McGill Friends of Albania whom the editors of the McGill **Daily** last year saw fit to "loose" in the wastepaper basket" notices of activities organised by our club, not to mention their reprehensible behavior towards our representatives. Last year the case was taken before a student grievance committee and the editors of the **Daily** were obliged to make a written apology and to print our club's activities in the "Today Column".

Apparently they wish to repeat the same despicable

actions this year. Not only did they conveniently "loose" our notice of a slide-presentation on Albania submitted to them on Friday, September 21st in time for the Monday edition of the **Daily** in the "What's What" column (a calendar of weekly events being organised at McGill), but they also managed to "loose" the second notice (submitted at the same time as the first) which the Editor herself had in her hands at 6:00 p.m. Monday night for the Tuesday paper. She assured our representative that the **Daily** had no intention of "loosing" any more notices concerning our club's activities! When our representative went to speak to the Editors today to see why the notice had not appeared in the "Today column" in spite of their "promises", the Editor ran out, followed close behind by a sports writer and the Weekly editor. Only the Senior News Editor remained to say that as

Today

Women's Squash Club:

Advanced players meet at 7 p.m., beginners, intermediates at 7:45 p.m., on the courts in Currie Gym. New members welcome. Squash racquets and balls provided if necessary. Those interested in playing on the McGill Women's team must join the club.

Camera Club:

Instructors should submit the times that they are available to teach Basic Camera and Darkroom Techniques. All interested in instructional sessions sign up this week during office hours.

Baha'i Club Meeting:

Today from 12:00 to 2:00 in Union room 310. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Greenpeace McGill:

First general meeting of the year. All welcome. 7:30 p.m., Leacock 219. Topics to be discussed: environmental and

antinuclear issues including upcoming antinuclear demonstration in Ottawa. The film *Paul Jacobs and That Nuclear Gang* will be shown.

Periodicals Workshop:

Today's library workshop shows techniques to find journal articles, using indexes and locations of all magazines in McGill's libraries. Starts at the Undergraduate Library Information Desk at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

McGill Contemporary Dance Workshop:

First choreographers' meeting today at 8:45 p.m. in the gym's COTC lounge. All interested choreographers must come or call Pearl at 489-4017 or Corinne at 849-7802.

New York:

Today is the third day before the deadline of signing up for the MSEA trip to New York. Call Antoine Ohannessian 344-0149.

McGill Reunion '79

This supplement sponsored by the McGill Graduates' Society.



What Brings Them Back to Old McGill?

by Anita Schapiro

The spectre of the future looms large for every university student. But most of us would be hard put to imagine ourselves ten years from now. We're here to get our degrees; then what? None of us could say for sure what we'll be and where we'll be — and if our McGill degrees will have, in any way, helped get us there.

Imponderable it is, then to see ourselves 50 years hence. The McGill Class of 1929, reunited this past weekend at the Principal's Dinner held in its honor at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, found it equally imponderable that half a century had lapsed since Sir Arthur Currie handed out their degrees.

Nearly 100 alumni of a graduating class of 300 gathered in the hotel's Gold and Grey Room. During cocktails, 29ers caught up with old cronies, tried to find themselves in the photos of each faculty as it was in '29 and met with McGill Principal David Johnston and his wife.

Just moments away at the Four Seasons was a flurry of alumni activity — Nursing '54 and Engineering '34 were there, in addition to those at the Chancellor's Dinner, which honoured 55th year and earlier classes. The class of 1919 made a strong showing. The bearers of such venerable old McGill names as Mrs. Otto Maass, RVC '24, were there and Dr. Otto Kleinberg, Arts '19, came all the way from France

for the occasion.

After the meal at the Principal's Dinner, Tom Thompson, Director of Alumni Relations, and Dr. Pat Cronin, past president of the Graduates' Society, greeted and toasted their distinguished guests. Dr. Stewart Allen, Med '29, read a poem dedicated to the Class by their poet laureate (who remained unnamed). It began: "What brings you back to Old McGill?" and ended to cries of "Author!"

Professor John Humphrey, who holds five McGill degrees, responded for the class of '29. Despite the remarkable half century his classmates had seen — Black Friday within months after their graduation,

the Depression, the war along with unforetold advances in all areas of science and technology — he did not dwell long on the past but went on quickly to speak of McGill now. Because of "troubled times" on the Canadian political front, he saw Principal Johnston's job as "one of the most difficult in the country." "McGill is an international school and I hope the University may vanquish any enemy within or without our gates..."

He went on to say that the upcoming referendum would be "pregnant with consequences for McGill" and expressed his hope for McGill's survival in a united Canada.

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The Gingko Biloba saga

by Stuart Logie

Securely strapped between three pine posts stands an infant Gingko tree, twenty or thirty feet north of the statuesque three bares. The little Asian sprout (known among his peers as Gingko Biloba) was taken from his nursery only a few days ago to fill the roots of the Gingko that stood for seventy years on James McGill's tomb. But because people could not see the Arts building for the trees, little Gingko was rooted to the left of the tomb on the west green.

Gingko was planted with all the ceremony and gravity of a significant historical event. The Biloba family ranks with the great Redpath, Dawson and McGill families as an integral part of our founding years. Sir William Dawson, Principal from 1855-1893, collaborated with his Irish janitor to root this woody perennial from the east whose fan-shaped leaves and fleshy, yellow, foul-smelling seeds enclose a tasty, edible kernel.

From that point on, the families of the janitor (Hamilton) the Principal and Gingko became entwined. The Hamilton family foliated in splendid form, with the janitor's two sons (Edward and William) becoming world renowned in the open field of metallurgy. B.J. Harrington, grandfather of our current Chancellor, married Sir William Dawson's daughter—and later became the first chairman of the Department of Mining and Metallurgical Engineering.

In the fertile field of mining and metallurgy came the linking of both families, a warm and lengthy association that started with the tree-planting activities of Dawson and his janitor.



Chancellor Harrington plants the Gingko.



Vice-Principal (Admin.) Leo Yaffe addressing the audience at Friday's tree planting ceremony.



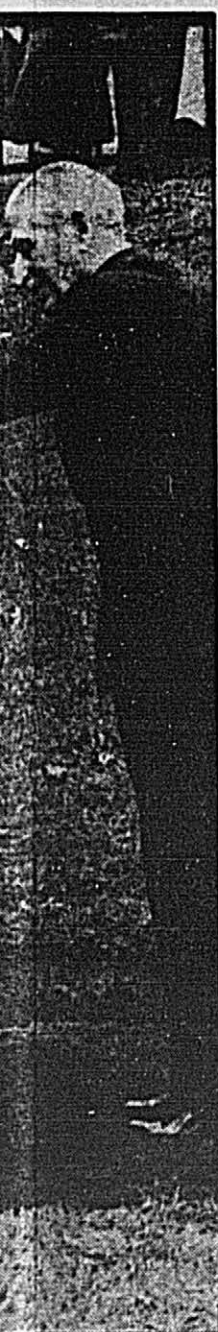
McGill Chancellor Conrad Harrington with the three grandsons.



Phillip, Edward and Robert Hamilton admire the new gingko.



Sons of Sir William Dawson's Irish Janitor.



a tree.

BACK TO Old McGill

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Dr. Johnston's response began on a note of levity. He spoke of the song "Button up Your Overcoat," popular in the late '20s, and showed that he couldn't button his because his three year old daughter had torn it off during the Class of '54's reunion earlier that day. He then talked of being a "newcomer" to the McGill scene, and of his pleasure in meeting McGill students past and present. He told a personal anecdote hitting upon a home truth about university life. He once recognized a former student at a dinner. He approached him and said "I remember your face, I just can't remember your name."

"That's OK, Professor," was the reply, "I can't remember your course."

Johnston then turned to more serious matters. He recalled 1929 at McGill when there were 3100 students, 10 faculties, and operating costs of only a few million dollars. 20,000 students now go to McGill, and contrary to national trends, student numbers are increasing slightly. It now takes \$160 million to run the university, 75% of which is provincial support. This is as much, he pointed out, as any other Quebec university gets. The remaining 25% of private support is bolstered considerably by

yearly alumni contributions. He expressed his thanks for their gifts by invoking a proverb: "Blessed is he who plants a tree, knowing he won't be there to enjoy the shade."

He spoke last of the everchanging composition of McGill's student body, and the vital role the University plays as a Canadian institution. In 1929, McGill was an anglophone's university. In the '78-'79 year, 20 per cent of all McGill students were francophones. He felt McGill would serve as a bridge, not as a battlefield, "a bridge that spans the different cultural strands that exist in our society in this time of testing for all of Canada." Gone now is the bitter disillusionment of the sixties, which had, in his words, "at last died a happy death." The only enemy to fear, he went on, is the enemy of indifference. If instead, we "draw on our reserves of wisdom and knowledge, McGill will emerge the stronger."

In closing, he commended the Class of '29 for the strength of their numbers that night, for their continued support of "old McGill", and bid them goodbye until they should all meet again at their Chancellor's Dinner celebration in 1984.

(So, class of '80, where will you be in 2030?)

Alumni Knew How to Have a Good Time

by Ron Moore

Faces change, names change, but through it all somehow McGill remains the same.

This was the lasting impression offered by McGill graduates attending Saturday's reunion luncheon in Bishop Mountain Hall.

Ward O'Connor is a 1937 Graduate in Commerce. Asked whether in his years at McGill he was concerned with the prospect of a world on the brink of war, he replied that for the majority of students the major issue was "how to have a good time".

With a visible grin O'Connor told of the sacred initiation rites of Kappa Rho Tau—rites which included dropping bags of ice water on the heads of unwary Profs during Freshman Welcome Week. Elaborating on fraternity life he spoke of the pandemonium of twenty odd "brothers" simultaneously getting into their "talls" for a night of dancing on the town.

A total devotion to the Red and White Revue which cost him an extra year of studies, an image of a surly Stephen Leacock bawling out an over-eager freshman with the remark "Can't you see I'm thinking?"—these are Ward O'Connor's most fond memories of McGill.

Stuart Allen on the other hand was a graduate of McGill's medical school in 1929. When asked if as a student on the eve of the Great Depression he and his fellow classmates were concerned with the state of the Western World, he candidly replied that as a Med student his one and only concern was "getting through".

For Allen student activities were again central to university life. Listing what he considered the greatest

moments of his years at McGill he made reference to his presidency of the McGill Choral Society, of playing "forward" on the perennial Med football team, and participation in the Student Christian Movement (SCM) where he met his wife Winnifred, herself the first Honours Graduate in Sociology in 1926.

When questioned about the seriousness of the spiritual pursuits directed by the SCM in 1929, Allen spoke in a sombre tone of the weekend retreats for meditation and devotion carried on at the then Elgin House. Yet, as if this mock gravity was a little bit too much to swallow, and despite her husband's frowns, Mrs. Winnifred Allen confided that these conferences were really "more of a lark".

Questioned about his medical practice, Allen said that he had served for 22 years as a medical missionary in China, his last year in a communist prison.

Talking of the more well known exploits of Dr. Norman Bethune, Allen praised Bethune for such things as his perfection of the medical instruments used in chest surgery. Yet he was adamant in pointing out that Bethune was not the only Canadian doctor in China. Many pursued lives of total dedication to die in total obscurity, said Allen.

For Stuart and Winnifred Allen, and Ward O'Connor, the fondest memories of McGill are those of the warmth of friendships and the pleasure of an active extracurricular life. Perhaps in the mingling of a certain academic seriousness and a sense of purpose with the spirit of an active student community can we find and appreciate that which is "Forever McGill".



Gigi Villalor

Leacock's Sixth Sense - Humour



by Heather Tisdale

"I am pleased to welcome everyone to the non-violent, unilingual and tax deductible Leacock Luncheon," said Donald MacSween, director of the National Arts Centre and moderator of the luncheon.

The luncheon was part of the festivities for Reunion '79. McGill graduates from 1929 to 1969 lunched together in the glittering dining room of the Ritz-Carleton. Engineering, Arts and medical graduates sipped coffee amicably, and countless reconciliations took place.

The spirit of Stephen Leacock pervaded the luncheon, from his portrait on the back of the programme to the quips of Donald MacSween.

"It was at McGill that the sixth

sense—the sense of humour—was discovered. So, while Rutherford was in his lab, Leacock was in his cups," joked MacSween.

Guest lecturer Sondra Gottlieb, author of *True Confessions* and winner of the 1979 Leacock Award, talked on "What It's like to be a Famous Writer."

Gottlieb found herself in the "awesome position of addressing university graduates—McGill graduates."

"I never managed to get a degree—not even from Sir George Williams," she said.

According to Gottlieb, the first rule about becoming a writer is "you have to be born in Winnipeg."

"To be a famous author one has to do the following things—fall the first year

at the University of Manitoba, be fired from two jobs and get married at 18, especially if he says he'll take you to Capri."

"My husband took me to somewhere even more interesting—Ottawa," she said.

Gottlieb began to write because she couldn't play tennis.

"I failed another year at Carleton and my children didn't like to see me watching soap operas when they came home from school," she said.

Gottlieb described the tour she made across Canada to publicize her new book. The favourite question of television interviewers was "Do you know Margaret Trudeau?"

She doesn't even though they do share the same publisher, Paddington

Press.

Now that Gottlieb is a "famous writer," a lot of people ask her how much money she makes from royalties.

This enrages her: "I'd rather reveal the sordid details of my sex life than the royalties."

For Sondra Gottlieb one of the benefits of being a famous writer is that she and her mother-in-law "have reached an out-of-court settlement." In addition many organizations ask her to give speeches, one of which, the retired librarians of Carleton County, wants to bus her up to Carp next week.

Success has affected Gottlieb's life. "Yes, my life has really changed, and soon I'm going to have enough courage to tell my husband to throw his own socks in the wash," she said.

Gee-Gees muffle Redmen, 11-8

by Brahm Pascal

Some of the homecomers in the crowd may have been around in the hazy days of the Great War. Perhaps a tear came to their eyes as they sat back and were enshrouded by the '79 McGill Redmen cloud of attention football, where the "D" is really big and the "O" never shows. The Ottawa Gee-Gees not reciprocated only halfheartedly as they crept by the Redmen 11-8 in the Homecoming Game, before 800 berserk spectators.

Expecting a hard charge from Gee-Gee's halfback Mike Giftopoulos, the Redmen defence, especially linebacker Phil Battaglia, sealed off the outside early in the game, like in the first Ottawa play. Hereafter, fullback Dave Behm handled the Ottawa ballcarrying on the inside.

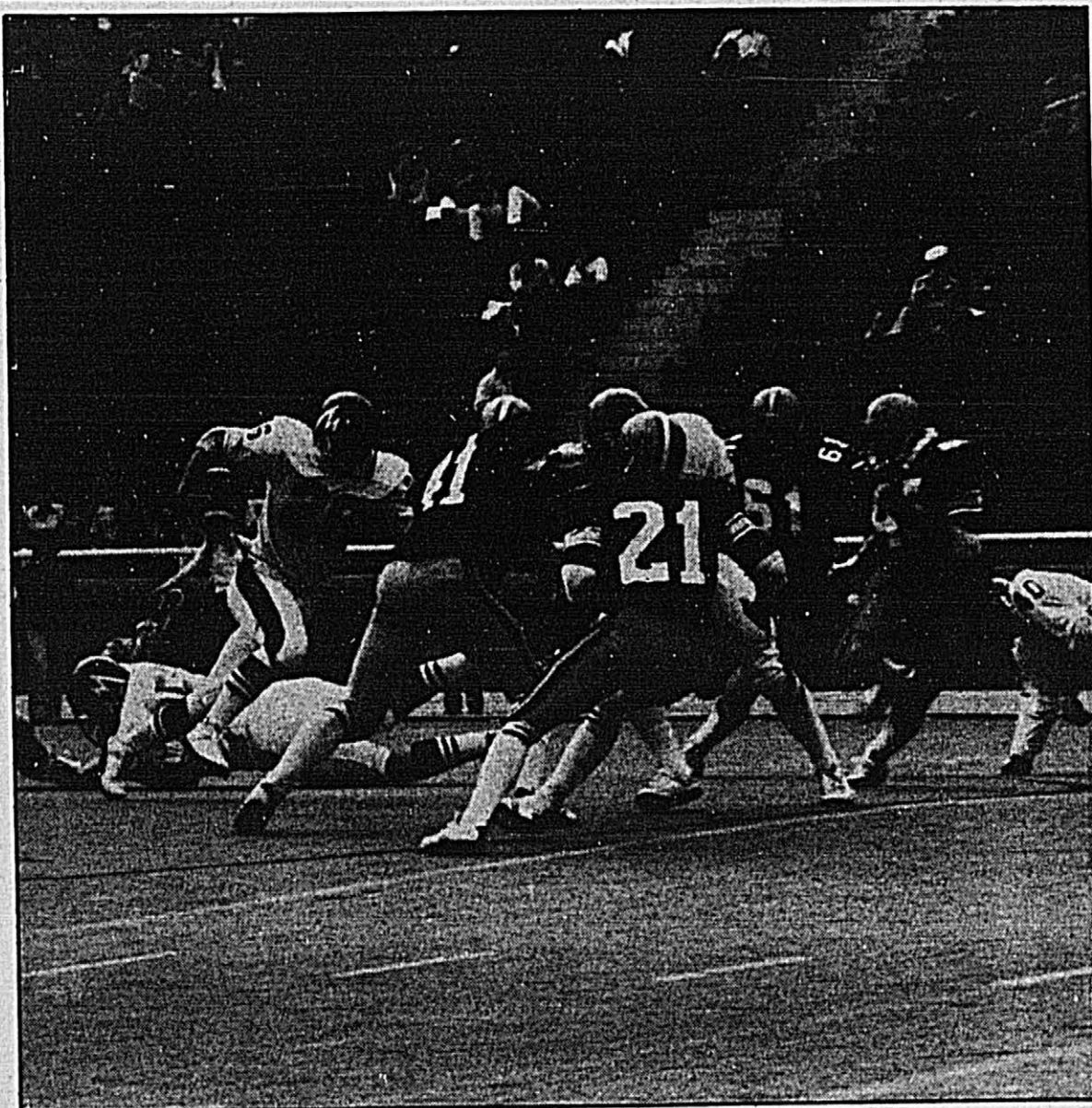
That was an early indication of the alert Redmen defence. But the black hole in the game was the Redmen offence. Where was it? Lost in space, perhaps, but definitely caught

in a time warp, moving backwards fast.

Now McGill's 288 yards of offence is not entirely disrespectful, yet one fumble and five Ottawa interceptions is not Kudo City.

Take Ottawa's first score. Linebacker Mark Lemery blew Gee-Gee QB Rick Zmich nine yards negatively on a third and four at the McGill eight. So on the very next play, Marc Lacelle, the running franchise as of Steve Geoghegan's injury, fumbles and the Gee-Gees recover on the Redmen 25. Minutes later, Dave Brown splits the uprights and Ottawa leads three-zip.

Gypsies in the crowd surely knew that as the rain clouds gathered, the Redmen offensive miseries below would swarm exponentially. The Redmen moved the ball to the Ottawa 27 when Gee-Gee cornerback Steve Giftopoulos picked off a Vic Pywowarczuk pass intended for the receiving franchise, Rick Blewald. And so it went.



Richard Katz

Marc Lacelle (26) running into a gang of Gee-Gees.

Growing from a blot into gem, Pywowarczuk moved the offence 75 yards downfield in eight plays, as time in the first half ran out. Firecracker slotback John McGuinness hauled in Vic's nifty 25 yard pass to give the Redmen a 7-4 lead going into the locker room.

It was something for the Redmen to build on, yet McGill demolished that momentum as the second half opened. "We gave them some fire in the second half," explained Ottawa head coach Cam Innes, "and we had to shut them down."

Lacelle's option pass early in

the second half was picked off, and although Ottawa took over possession at its own 30 yard line, on this day turnover equalled points in their playbook. A quick first and twenty conversion gave the Gee-Gees the juice, and once they reached the McGill 18, Behm handled the ball the rest of the way on two runs off-tackle, and finally on a four yard pass from Zmich, at mid-third quarter.

That takes care of the majors, but fan's major disappointments came late in the fourth quarter as the Redmen offence struggled valiantly yet ineffectually to regain the lead. As was the case all day, the defence gave the offence their chances, and it was the D which could elicit at least one positive comment from a disconsolate coach Charlie Baille.

"The defence played the best football game they have played this year," he commented. "They did the job for four quarters and that's a good sign."

Not so good a sign was Peter Huber's third interception of the day after the Redmen had possession at the Ottawa 48 with 2:20 left in the game. "I just hope they're scared stiff in there in terms of knowing they

Red Socs win at Bishops

by Andrew Karolyi

The key to the McGill Redsoc's success on Saturday against the floundering Galters of Bishop's was domination. The day before the match, coach Gord Gow claimed that there was a problem of team unity as the players hadn't played together often since they were scattered all over the city with commitments to different teams. However, this problem was not evident in Saturday's highly entertaining goal scoring display, as the Redsocs defeated the Bishop's team 6-0.

The outset of the game showed some uncertain passing on the part of both teams. As the play settled, the Redsocs began to control the midfield, as they had done the week before against Potsdam, and took the play to the

Galters' defence.

The pace was uncommonly slow initially, perhaps because of the slick surface underfoot, but it increased gradually as the teams accustomed themselves to the skidding ball.

The first McGill goal came at the 25 minute mark when a long goal kick from Gary Strothers bounced once over the Bishop's fullback, who clearly misjudged the surface, creating a one-on-one situation with striker Dave Cross alone on the goalkeeper.

The third Redsoc goal occurred on a penalty shot by Brian Decaire after Tony lachetta was brought down from behind in the penalty area.

Around the 40th minute, after a stoppage in play, Decaire, looking to play the opportunity pass, sent Billy Mallon in on the Bishop's defensive pair. Mallon

split the defence on a through pass to Dave Cross who was breaking toward the goal. Cross' shot was low and struck the goalkeeper hard with the resulting rebound coming to Mallon who pushed the ball into the unguarded net.

The fifth tally, just before the half was over, resulted from a midfield mistake by the Galters and gave Brian Decaire the chance to unleash a wicked 30 yard drive into the top left corner of the net.

After the half-time break, the Redsocs came out to dominate once again, but were unable to finish their well coordinated attacks. The lone goal of the half came in the 65th minute when a foul on Gus Triano-foulous outside the box effected a set play situation. Decaire, the free kick master, passed along the top of the box

to Takats, who shot the ball into the left corner past the non-plussed Bishop's goalkeeper.

Then the problems began for the Redsocs, as approximately half a dozen chances in front of the Galters net were either shot wide or sent over the bar, heightening the frustrations of strikers Guy Goseph and Cross.

"We played the second half much better than the first," Gow explained, "although we only scored once."

The outstanding factor in his stunning victory was the Redsoc defensive corp's ability to shut out all the Galters attacks. About this defence, Gow commented that "they did what they had to do." However, he did single out left fullback Graham Gill, who created

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Nuclear wastes stored in UBC basement

VANCOUVER (CUP)— For the past several months abnormally-high levels of radiation have been leading undetected into a University of B.C. office and classroom building and poisoning its residents.

In an accidental discovery Sept. 17, it was found that a basement room in the Math. annex at UBC has been used as a storage dump for radioactive material for the past 12 years.

"I've had my death hanging over that room the whole time I've been there," said Professor Jim Carrell after the discovery. His office is located directly above the dump.

Professor Dale Rolfsen uncovered the fact when he became curious about what was in the basement of the annex.

He noticed a sign reading: "Caution Radiation Hazard" on the door of a small basement room and on Monday phoned UBC's radiation protection officer Bill Raychuk to investigate.

With a borrowed geiger counter, Rolfsen then entered Carrell's office directly above the radioactive area and found

it had 14 times the normal level of radiation.

"I'm outraged that people have unwittingly been exposed to fairly high levels of radiation. It's almost criminal when people are exposed to radiation without their consent," he said.

Raychuk discovered that the material emitting the high levels of radiation was a substance known as sodium-22. He found the material in an open cardboard box sitting on top of an empty oil barrel in the basement room, about two feet from the ceiling.

"It is on the oddest of occasions, and you caught me, that we have sodium-22," he said.

Raychuk said he systematically monitors every purchase of radioactive material at UBC, but says it is impossible to keep track of all readings.

Carrell said: "The only thing that I was thinking of was how much of that stuff does he (Raychuk) have in his basement. I'm afraid he's not been doing his job to my detriment," said Carrell.

Raychuk then lifted the radioactive material from the

oil barrel and put it on the floor. Next, he went up to Carrell's office to measure the level of radioactivity in his room. It had dropped.

Raychuk pointed out that if the sodium had been placed under lead shielding the radiation level would have been lower.

"I'm embarrassed about this," he said.

Then, mocking Raychuk,

Rolfsen replied: "I'm embarrassed that I've been getting exposed to high levels of radiation."

The decision to use the basement room as a way station for radioactive material was made either in 1966 or 1967 by the members of the president's committee of UBC's Radio-Isotopes and Radiation Hazards.

The current chairman of the

committee, Dr. Robert Morrison, said he knew nothing about the radiation dump, nor the identity of the chairman in charge when the decision about the use of the room was made.

Math department head Benjamin Moys said he first heard about the storage dump from Rolfsen.

Raychuk said the room in the Math. annex is the only place on campus that is a depository for radioactive materials aside from science laboratories.

"It's one of these temporary things that got carried away," he said.

"I agree that this is not the best of situations and I'd like to move it," said Raychuk. "Maybe something can be arranged if TRIUMF (Tri-University Meson Facility) can get their funds."

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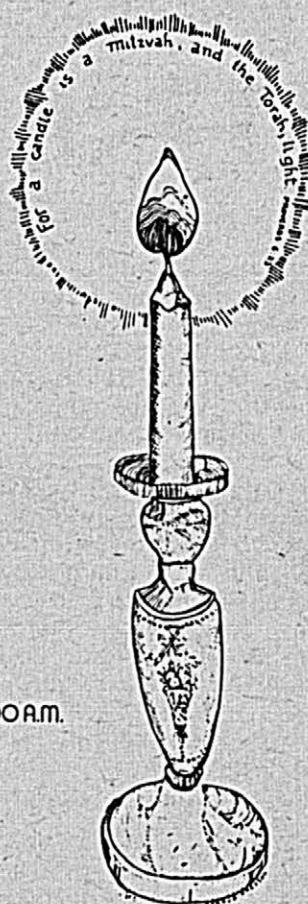
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